Economists Get First Blood in Salaries Fight

Attempt to Override Favorable Report on Bill to Reduce Salaries of Officers Fails, 50 to 44.

Lincoln, Feb. 17.—(Special.)—First blood was drawn today by the house economists in a fight to cut salaries of the governor and other state officers from $1,000 to $2,000 a year, when an attempt to override a committee report for favorable recommendation failed by a vote of 50 to 44.

Representative Harry Foster of Omaha led the fight to keep the salaries up to the present standard. Representatives Byrum and Gifford led the fight to cut them down. Byrum and Gifford are authors of the bill.

Foster Starts Battle.

Hostilities opened when Foster moved that a minority report of the committee on fees and salaries be adopted to postpone indefinitely consideration of the measure.

That brought a flood of objections from the farmer element and others who quoted the prices on corn, the advance in sugar and the general prosperity of state officers as arguments against present salaries.

Retorts followed concerning the ludicrousness of putting a governor and supreme courtt justices on a salary that would make a "master plumber" blush with shame.

Omaha Opposes Bill.

The vote didn't satisfy Foster and his companions and they demanded a call of the house, which swelled the vote a little, but failed to put the minority report over. The Omaha delegation was with Foster in his fight.

So the fight to pay state officers the following salaries must be carried to the floor of the house:

Governor, chief justice and supreme court justices, $6,000 a year; state treasurer and attorney general, $4,500 a year; secretary of state, auditor of public accounts, judges of district court, commissioner of public lands and buildings, members of State Railway commission and superintendent of public instruction, $4,000 a year; lieutenant governor, twice the salary of a state senator.

Smith Defends Bill For Standard Bread Loaf in State Senate

Lincoln, Neb., Feb. 17.—(Special Telegram.)—Standing alone with 100 hostile Nebraska bakers surrounding him, Representative E. D. Smith of Omaha today told the senate committee on miscellaneous subjects what he claimed was the people's side of the bread controversy, resulting from the introduction of his standard weight bread bill.

"If the bakers drop the weight an ounce it means little to one consumer on one loaf of bread," said Smith, "but in a year it means hundreds of thousands of dollars more to the bakers. We have standard weights for a barrel of flour, standard weights for a bushel of apples and standard weights for many other commodities and why not for bread. Let the bakers standardize their bread loaves and then let the people decide which quality of loaves they choose to buy."

Smith pointed to success in enforcing the law in cities and states having a standard weight law and declared that he was willing to amend his bill so bakers in Nebrska might have a greater leeway in a standard loaf than in any other state with a standard loaf law. The committee made no recommendation on the bill tonight.

Deshler Factories Are Nearly Ready to Start Work

Deshler, Neb., Feb. 17.—(Special.)—The Automatice Machine and Sales campany has moved from the knitting factory building up town. They have their machinery installed and expect to be turning out their time and interest computing machines by March 1.

Joseph Knobloch, proprietor of the Deshler knitting mills, has two knitters enroute here from his former home in Chemnitz, Austria, the noted European knitting center. He is arranging to purchase five or six American-made machines and will have his plant in operation by fall. The output at first will consist of hosiery and underwear.

Man Charged With Arson to Be Tried in Plattsmouth

Nebraska City, Neb., Feb. 17.—(Special.)—Frank Popel, jr., charged with arson in connection with the burning of the Frontier hotel here 18 months ago, and who was recently granted a rehearing by the supreme court after being convicted of the charge, will be tried in Plattsmouth. Attorneys in their application before Judge James P. Begley declared their client could not be given a fair hearing in Otoe county on account of the bias and prejudice against him. Affidavits of 150 business men of the city were shown declaring Popel could not have a fair trial here.

Deshler Buys Tractor For Utility Machine

Deshler, Neb., Feb. 17.—(Special.)—The city of Deshler has purchased a tractor and will use it for grading the streets and roads near town, to pull the street sprinkler and operate the pumps at the city water plant in case of emergency. An addition will be built in which to keep the tractor where it will stand ready to be belted to the pumps on short notice.

Civil Service Tests for Postmasters Will Be Held

Washington, D. C., Feb. 17.—(Special Telegram.)—Civil service examinations for presidential postmasters will be held on March 16 at the following places:

Johnson, Neb., $1,300; Jackson, Wyo., $1,200; Clutier, Ia., $1,300; Lesterville, S. D., $1,400; Medicine Bow, Wyo., $1,100.

Postmaster appointed, Iowa: Dunkerton, Black Hawk county, Fred O. Canfield, vice Nellie M. Krohn, resigned; Farlin, Green county, Harold Hall, vice James H. Hutcheson, resigned; Grunewald, Lucas county, Charles L. Miller, vice Gerald C. Deane, resigned.

Wyoming: Bonnidee, Johnson county, Dora Kinzer, new office; Carlile, Crook county, Raphael K. Mespell, vice Mary Zimmershield, resigned.

Salvation Army Lassies To Nurse Lepers in Java

These three Salvation Army lassies are going to devote the rest of their lives to the care of lepers in the leper colony in Java. Left to right: Elizabeth Brooks of Cole Orton, Ang.; Alice Riggs of Sheffield, Eng.; and Germaine Mueller of Paris, France. They were photographed in Boston on their arrival there on their journey to the faraway East Indian islands. The Salvation Army, Mission among the lepers of Java has been established for twenty years. Almost the entire work of caring for these incurables is done by the Salvationists.

Repeal of Siman Law Favored by Committee Vote

Norval Bill Changed to Incorporate Much of Old Law And More Teeth Are Added.

Lincoln, Feb. 17.—(Special.)—The Norval bill, repealing the Siman foreign language law, will be reported out for passage by the committee on education tomorrow morning, but it will only slightly resemble the measure originally drafted by Norval. In fact it will only carry Norval's name, while the rest of it is a re-enactment of the Siman law, with more teeth added to it. The Siman law is strenghtened in amendments adopted by the committee and prepared by Senator Perry Reed.

Its principal feature is prohibition, with a penalty attached, against preventing the use of the English language in any public gathering. It is argued that since the law has thrown a certain protection around the use of foregin languages, that a measure to grant the same protection to the English language ought to meet with general approval.

The bill makes it unlawful for any social, religious or commercial organization to forbid, prohibit or discriminate against the use of English in any meeting, school or proceeding. Any officer, director, member or person who seeks to enforce such a prohibition renders himself subject to a fine of $25 to $100 or 30 days in the county jail.

The clause forbidding the prohibition of English is calculated to remedy such situations as that which arose at Emerald, west of Lincoln, a few days ago, when a majority of the congregation voted to restore German as the language of the church Sunday school and confirmation.

The first section of the Reed amendment is understood to incorporate the foreign language clause of the new constitution, while sections 2 and 3 step off and reiterate the Siman law.

Provision is made that nothing in the act shall interfere with the strict observance of the sabbath with services in an ylanguage. The proposed measure is strict in prohibiting the teaching of foreign languages, in any guise, in any grade school, for any purpose.

Compulsory Play Latest Order of Day in Petrograd

Petrograd, Feb. 17.—Compulsory playgoing is the latest order of the day here. The soviet government has decreed that a fine, payable in food rations, is to be inflicted on all persons, who by official invitation, omit to go to the theater to enjoy a series of communist plays which are now being produced, says the bolshevik newspaper, Rabotchi Golos.

Shipping Board Steamer Sinking After Collision

London, Feb. 17.—The American shipping board freight steamer Cliffwood, New Orleans to Rotterdam, has been in collision with the British steamer St. Augustine Abbey at the entrance to the River Maas, off the Dutch coast, Lloyd's shipping agency reports.

A Central News dispatch from Amsterdam says the Cliffwood is reported sinking.

College Springs Bank Loot Is Found Near Blanchard

Blanchard, Ia., Feb. 17.—(Special.)—More than $20,000 in securities stolen from safety deposit boxes in the College Springs bank were recovered by two boys exploring a junk pile under a bridge near here.

VOTE FOR
HENRY S. PAYNE
LAWYER
302 Neville Block
For
City Commissioner

Five Bills Are Killed in Senate

Ten Measures Passed in Third Reading and 30 Placed On General File.

Lincoln, Neb., Feb. 17.—(Special.)—House Roll 296, a joint resolution to submit a constitutional amendment making forcible assault an unpardonable offense in Nebraska, was killed in the Nebraska senate Thursday morning, on a report of the judiciary committee recommending it for indefinite postponement.

The senate passed 10 bills on third reading, accepted some 30 committee reports for general file and killed five bills.

These bills were killed:

S. F. 101—Affecting county attorneys' salaries in small counties.

S. F. 12—Increasing number of county attorney's assistants in Douglas county.

S. F. 283—Appointment of county judge to fill vacancies.

S. F. 284—Change of venue regulations.

The following bills were passed on third reading:

S. F. 61—Raising count reporters' salaries from $2,000 to $3,000 a year. Passed, 24 to 5. Opposed were Gannon, Illian, Ulrich, Watson and Wiltse.

S. F. 89—Regulating public morals. Passed, 24 to 8.

S. F. 94—Institution care for mothers. Passed 50 to 1.

S. F. 95—Changing majority age of women from 18 to 21. Passed 50 to 1.

S. F. 111—Building and loan filing fees. Passed 30 to 1.

S. F. 143—Filling station regulations. Passed 31 to 0.

S. F. 170—Bars claims against estates in probate over a year. Passed 31 to 0.

S. F. 197—To encourage bee industry. Passed 31 to 0.

S. F. 219—Repealing wartime act protecting soldiers' affairs in courts. Passed 31 to 0.

"Home Brewer" Acquitted In Nebraska City Court

Nebraska City, Neb., Feb. 17.—(Special.)—Fred Thacker was acquitted in district court here on the charge of manufacturing home brew with more than one-half of 1 per cent alcohol. Evidence of the state chemist showed that the liquor examined by him that was taken from the home of Thacker when he was arrested, contained more than 3 per cent alcohol. Witnesses were produced who testified that they had drank several quarts of the liquor and that it contained no "kick." This is the second man acquitted on a liquor charge at this term of the district court.

"Fireworks" Is Guaranteed on Consolidation

Representative Druesedow to Have Family Hear Discussion on Annexation of Sarpy County.

Lincoln, Feb. 17.—(Special.)—Representative Robert Druesedow of Omaha intends to bring his wife and children to Lincoln Monday night to see what he terms "the fireworks," when Sarpy and Douglas county residents favoring the Druesedow consolidation bill will appear before the committee on privileges and elections.

"I wouldn't have the kids miss that show Monday night for all the money in the world," Druesedow said today, "for believe me it is going to be a show."

Was Not Asleep.

'I wasn't alseep when I introduced that bill. I felt and feel yet that a majority of the Sarpy county residents want to get away from the bad roads and bad court house odium that has been placed on them. I can't understand why those other fellows are so anxious to keep the proposition away from a vote of the people."

Druesedow has many letters from Sarpy couny residents favoring the consolidation. One from William P. Mangold, secretary of the Gretna public school district, in part says:

Want People to Decide.

"If at the present time it could come to a vote of the people, as it should be decided, it would be annexed by a substantial majority. The antagonism of one part of the county against the other divides the vote on good roads and a court house so that we will not get any improvement until we are annexed."

Here's the sentiments of M. J. Bender, Rural Route 5, South Side, Omaha, as expressed in a letter to Druesedow:

"You republicans aren't going to let that democratic bunch from Papallion keep this measure from the people. Let the people rule. There's a bunch of people who signed a petition against consolidation who want their names withdrawn, declaring they didn't know what they had signed."

Man Sentenced for Booze Killing Files Appeal to High Court

Lincoln, Feb. 17.—(Special.)—To determine if a man can be sent to the penitentiary for one to 10 years for the death of a friend who voluntarily accepts a drink of home distilled liquor and dies from the effect, Lawrence Thiede, sentenced to such a term from Adams county on November 18, has appealed his case to the Nebraska supreme court.

Charges against Thiede, Carl Stromer and William Forney of "unintentional manslaugher" were filed by the county attorney, following the death on October 16 of Julius Kroll, bachelor farmer of Prosser, Neb., who the day before had participated in a "party" in a deserted house and had drunk homemade liquor with the crowd.

Ord Knights of Pythias To Celebrate Anniversary

Ord, Neb., Feb. 17.—(Special.)—The Ord Knights of Pythias will celebrate the lodge anniversary Monday night with a banquet and program. The occasion will also be the completion of the initiation of a large class who have affiliated with the order during the past three months. Grand Chancellor Commander Taylor is expected to be present as is also several other prominent members of the order. Ord lodge is one of the strongest of P. P. lodges in the state.

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Blue Springs School Nearing Completion

Blue Springs, Feb. 17.—(Special.)—The Blue Springs school house, which is nearing completion, will be ready for occupancy by March 10. Bonds for $51,000 were sold, but with the additional cost for light and heating plant the completed building was to cost $70,000.

The contractor became involved in business difficulties and was unable to finish the structure. The bonding company completes the contract, which finally amounted to a little more than $100,000.

The school is a combination grade and high school, two stories with gymnasium and auditorium. The old building, which stands close to the old building site is to be demolished and the grounds decorated by a landscape gardener. The auditorium, which is in the basement, has a seating capacity of 800.

City salesmen—Bee Want Ads.

Teaching of German Will Be Resumed in Washington

Washington, Feb. 17.—The study of German, barred from the schools of Washington in 1917 through action of congress, will be resumed next year. The board of education announced it had approved text books to be used.

BRANDEIS STORES

$10,000 Purchase Sale of Sample Curtains *and* Draperies

Bought from a Large Manufacturer and to Be Placed on Sale Friday at the Lowest Prices Offered in Many Months!

5,000 SAMPLE PIECES—the entire sample lot of largest Eastern mill. Terry Cloth, Cretonnes, Nets, etc., **all on a bargain square at, each,** **19c**

1,000 PAIRS SCRIM AND LACE CURTAINS, 2½ yards long; a great value, at, per pair, **95c**

500 PAIRS NOVELTY VOILE and Marquisette Curtains, lace edge and insertion; 2½ yards long; these won't last long at, **per pair,** **1.95**

250 FACTORY SAMPLE CURTAINS AND PANELS, extra wide curtains used one to a window; **special, each,** **95c**

3,000 YARDS MERCERIZED MARQUISETTE 36 inches wide, a fine quality; white and cream; **at, per yard,** **25c**

50 PIECES COLORED DRAPERY MADRAS; latest pretty shades, Old Rose, Gold, Brown, etc., for window and door draperies; one of our greatest bargains, **per yard,** **59c**

100 PIECES CRETONNE; the latest designs and colorings; 36 inches wide; a wonderful lot **specially priced for this sale at, per yard,** **39c**

50 PIECES FILET NETS and fancy Dotted Swiss full 36 inches wide; we limit these goods 10 yards to a customer; **special, per yard,** **35c**

2,000 YARDS SCRIMS, 36 inches wide, at per yard **(Limit 15 yards to a customer)** **10c**

8000 YARDS LACE EDGING—Wide and narrow lace; white, ivory and ecru; **special, per yard,** **3c**

400 WASH RUGS—Hit and miss; extra durable quality in two lots:
25x50 inch size, in all colors; **special, each,** **98c**
18x36 inch size, in all colors, **special, each,** **69c**

GREAT SALE OF FELT BASE—Just the thing for bath room, kitchen and pantry; very durable; **per square yard,** **49c**

Basement—West

Sale *of* Wall Paper

For Friday We Offer These Extreme Values in Our Newly Enlarged Department.

All over designs and plain effects, new colors in ivory, gray, tan and blue; for the downstairs rooms; shown with cut borders and bands; **Friday, per roll,** **23c**

Papers for the attic and spare room, about a dozen patterns to select from; sold with borders; **Friday, per roll,** **8½c**

Other selections in a wide choice of papers; borders and ceiling to match; **per roll,** 12½c and **19c**

See Our New Bed Room Papers. Basement—West

Any Girls' Coat

In Our Basement Stock

Choice $2, $3 and $5

All the girls' coats left in the basement department are grouped in three remarkable low price lots—excellent values in each lot.

Basement—South

Sale of Domestics and Wash Goods

SHIRTING CHEVIOT—In the wanted staple stripes; for men's and boys' work shirts, etc.; warranted fast indigo dye; 2 to 10-yard lengths; 27 inches wide; **special, yard.** **19c**

"PEPPERELL" R. UNBLEACHED SHEETING. Made of fine heavy round thread yarn; easily bleached in laundering; 36 inches wide; **special, per yard,** **19c**

MERCERIZED DRESS POPLIN—In a big assortment of plain shades; for Spring dresses, waists, etc.; 27 inches wide; **special, per yard,** **29c**

FOUNDATION SILK AND SILK AND COTTON CANTON CREPE—Plain shades; for foundations, underwear, interlinings, etc.; 36 inches wide; **special value, at, per yard,** **29c**

9/4 81-INCH UNBLEACHED SHEETING—Genuine Pepperell quality; correct width for full size sheets; also used for making embroidered bed spreads; **special, Friday, at, per yard,** **50c**

BLEACHED PILLOW TUBING—Your choice of Barker Mills or Cabot; two well known brands; 40 inches wide; **special, per yard,** **39c**

FINE DRESS GINGHAMS—In beautiful plaids, checks, stripes and plain shades; all standard qualities; **two big bargains Friday, at, per yard,** 19c and **16½c**

SHIRTING CALICO—Light grounds with neat figures and stripes; for house dresses, aprons and comforter coverings; 2 to 10-yard lengths; **special, per yard,** **8½c**

MILL REMNANTS BLEACHED MUSLIN—Bleached muslin and cambric; good quality for sheets and cases or undergarments; 36 inches wide; **special, at per yard,** **10½c**

BLEACHED BED SHEETS—Size 72x90 inches; made with French Center seam; hemmed; ready for use; **Friday, each,** **95c**

BLEACHED PILLOW CASES—150 dozen of these cases; made of good grade muslin; in assorted sizes; **special, each,** **22½c**

APRON GINGHAM—In the wanted blue checks and broken styles; warranted fast colors; **special, per yard,** **12½c**

WHITE SHAKER FLANNEL—Good heavy quality with long nap on both sides; **special, for Friday, per yard,** **15c**

Basement—North

Women's Pumps

Made on latest lasts; new strap models; light machine sewed sole; black or brown kid; French and military heels; size 3½ to 8; **our new price, per pair,** **5.45**

Women's High and Low Shoes

Just 1,000 pair in this assortment; leather or wood heels, flexible leather soles; sizes 3 to 7; mostly narrow widths; **special, per pair,** **1.98**

Men's Sample Shoes—In black and tan leather; Goodyear welt sewed soles; English and full toe styles; sizes 6, 6½ and 7; **special, per pair,** **3.79**

Little Boys' Army Scout Shoes—Made of very durable tan leather; blucher style and soft toe; double soles; size 9 to 13½; **per pair,** **2.00**

Men's Dark Tan Dress Shoes—Goodyear welt; lace style; sizes 6 to 11; **special, per pair,** **5.00**

Basement—Arcade

Sale of Men's Work Clothes

700 PAIRS OF MEN'S AND YOUNG MEN'S TROUSERS—In worsteds, cheviots and cassimeres; sizes 28 to 46 waist; **at, per pair,** **2.29**

MEN'S CROMPTON CORDUROY PANTS—None better made; fine for working; sizes 31 to 44 waist; **special,** **3.45**

MEN'S LEATHER VESTS—Come in moleskin and corduroy shell; sizes up to 50; **special, each,** **4.45**

MEN'S WHITE OVERALLS—For painters and paper hangers; sizes 34 to 48; **special,** **1.49**

MEN'S GOOD QUALITY WORK SHIRTS—In light and dark plain blue chambray and gray cheviots; sizes 14½ to 17; **special, each,** **69c**

UNION MADE OVERALLS—1,000 pairs, made of 220 weight plain blue denim; full and roomy; every pair well made; sizes 32 to 42 waist; **special, per pair,** **1.39**

MEN'S MACKINAWS—We have just 36 of these mackinaws, made of heavy wool mixed fabrics in practical colors; sizes 36 to 40; **special,** **4.45**

MEN'S UNDERWEAR—Derby ribbed shirts and drawers; in all sizes; **special, per garment,** **49c**

MEN'S FLANNEL SHIRTS—In plain blue, gray, brown and khaki; sizes up to 17; **special, each,** **1.79**

MEN'S CANVAS GLOVES—1,200 pairs of men's canvas gloves; all made in knit wrist style; **special, per pair,** **10c**

Extra Good Values in Our Boys' Department

BOYS' BLOUSES—Striped madras and percales; attached collar; sizes 6 to 15; **special, each,** **79c**

BOYS' CORDUROY SUITS—For school wear; belt all around; cut full and roomy; sizes 7 to 16; **special, each,** **7.50**

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Basement—West

Union Suits and Hosiery

Men's and Women's Wear

WOMEN'S COTTON UNION SUITS—Bodice and regulation tops; taped and band tops; loose or cuff knee style; all sizes; **special, per suit,** **50c**

WOMEN'S BODICE VESTS—In fine gauge cotton; sizes 36 and 38; seconds of 35c quality; **special, each,** **19c**

WOMEN'S FIBRE SILK HOSIERY—In black and white and all wanted shoe shades, with double soles and toes; high spliced heels; lisle garter tops; full seamless; slight seconds of 85c qualities; **per pair,** **39c**

MEN'S COTTON SEAMLESS SOCKS—Black and colors, double soles and high spliced heels; **special, per pair,** **15c**

MEN'S WOOL SOCKS—Odd lots of medium and heavy weight in black and gray; **special, per pair,** **25c**

WOMEN'S HOSIERY—Extra large sizes; "Burson" seamless; black, white and cordovan; slight seconds of 1.00 quality; **special, per pair,** **65c**

Basement—Arcade

A Sale of Linens

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FULL BLEACHED CRASH—Fancy red border and plain white; in this lot are "All Linen" and Chief Value" Linen; **special, per yard,** **29c**

FULL BLEACHED HUCK TOWELS—Hemmed ends, fancy red borders; soft and absorbent; **special, each,** **15c**

500 YARDS ART LINEN—Natural color; for doilies, scarfs, table covers and bed spreads; 36 inches wide; **special, Friday, per yard,** **75c**

FULL BLEACHED SOFT FINISHED COTTON CRASH TOWELING—Fancy red border; launders like linen; **special, per yard,** **12c**

Basement—South